Kansas church to picket Palmer

A 200-member Topeka, Kan., church known for inflammatory anti-gay rhetoric will picket outside Palmer High School next week.

Westboro Baptist Church is protesting Palmer students' efforts to have a Gay Straight Alliance club officially recognized by the school. 3/5/05

Six students filed a lawsuit against Colorado Springs School District 11, accusing the district of discrimination for not sanctioning the club. A ruling has not been made.

Westboro church members will picket in front of Palmer, 301 N. Nevada Ave., at 7:15 a.m. March 11. They will be met by counter-demonstrators from Citizens Project, a local civil rights group, and several area churches and organizations.

Fred Phelps, Westboro's pastor, expects 12 to 15 church members to participate.

Phelps said the church annually spends $250,000 on its "picketing ministry," which includes almost daily protests in Topeka and frequent trips to other parts of the country.

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